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In re the oplication of **OKUDA**, et al.

Serial No: 10/018,708

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FOI: TABLE OF WAFER POLISHING APPARATUS, METHOD FOR POLISHING SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER, AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER

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|  | After Final  |                          |           |   | Part B-Issue Fee Tra                          |                   | Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences        |   |                    |
|  | Information disclosure statement   |                          |           |   | Letter to Draftsman                           |                   | Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) |   |                    |
|  | Form 1449  |                          |           |   | Drawings                                      |                   |   | Status Letter                               |                    |
|  | (X) C  | (X) Copies of References |           |   | Petition                                      |                   |   | Postcard                                    |                    |
|  | Extension of Time Request *  |                          |           |   | Fee Address Indication Form                   |                   |   | Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below): |                    |
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|  | Commissioner to extend the time for response for xxxxxx month(s),  |                          |           |   |   |                   |   |   |                    |
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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re Application of:

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For:

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SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## REQUEST FOR REFUND UNDER 37 CFR § 1.26

Sir:

### I. REFUND REQUEST

This national phase application was filed December 13, 2001, and included a number of multiple dependent claims. A filing fee in the amount of \$1,448.00 was submitted at the time of filing the application. A copy of the Transmittal Letter as filed is attached as Exhibit A. On March 18, 2002, the PTO issued a Notification of Missing Requirements requesting a declaration of the inventors and a \$130.00 late declaration surcharge. That notice also indicated that Applicants owed \$360.00 for 37 total claims over 20 and \$280.00 as a multiple dependent claims surcharge. A copy of that Notice is attached as Exhibit B. On April 5, 2002, Applicants filed a Response to Notification of Missing Requirements including an executed Declaration and a

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check in the amount of \$130.00. A copy of Applicant's Response to Notification of Missing

Requirements and the accompanying Transmittal Letter is attached as Exhibit C.

When filing their Response to Notification of Missing Requirements, Applicants

inadvertently failed to submit additional money for the 37 excess claims and the multiple

dependent claims surcharge. On May 24, 2002, the PTO debited Applicants' Attorney's Deposit

Account No.02-2120 for \$360.00 and \$280.00. A review of the file indicates that the calculation

for the originally submitted filing fee of \$1,448.00 included \$280.00 for a multiple dependent

claims surcharge. Hence, Applicant has paid that fee twice.

II. FEE PAID FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED

Applicants respectfully request review of the file and a refund of \$280.00 for their

duplicate payment of the multiple dependent claims surcharge.

III MANNER OF REFUND

Please make refund by crediting Deposit Account No. 02-2120 (Sawyer Law Group

LLP).

Respectfully submitted,

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